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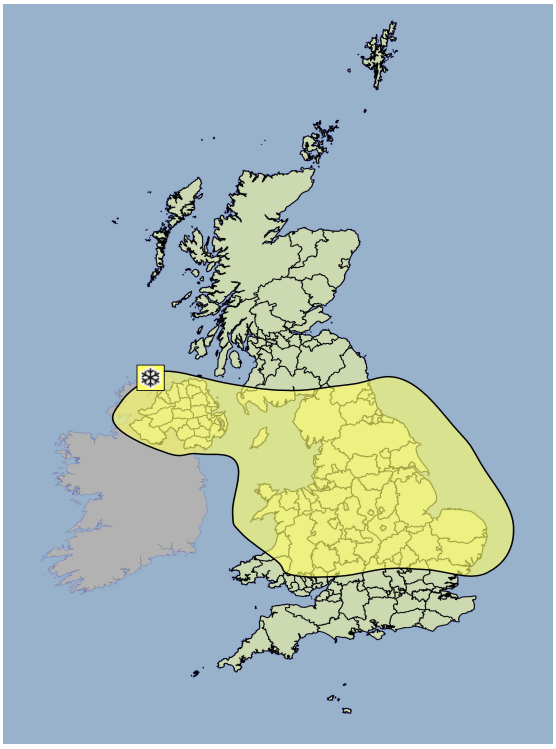

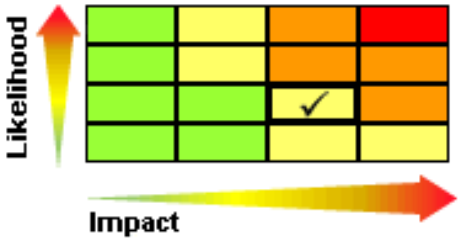

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A depression developing over the Atlantic Ocean is expected to track east then southeastwards across the southern half of Britain during Boxing Day. A spell of snow is likely, even to lower levels, on the northern flank of this depression. South of the depression centre, rain will fall, heavy at times.

There remains much more uncertainty than average regarding the track of this depression which in turn leads to uncertainty about the location of the heaviest precipitation and how much snow there will be. Where snow does occur accumulations of 2 to 4 cm are likely even to lower levels and in excess of 10 cm possible.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Alert** of **Snow**

Valid from **11:00 on Fri, 26th Dec 2014** until **06:00 on Sat, 27th Dec 2014**

An area of rain, sleet and snow is expected to spread eastwards across parts of Northern Ireland, England and Wales during Boxing Day before clearing during the evening and overnight. A lot of uncertainty surrounds how much snow will occur, but there is the risk of several centimetres even at low levels. As precipitation clears, roads could turn very icy.

The public should be aware of the potential for disruption from snow. Please watch for updates to this warning. especially if travelling.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

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